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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action of September 13, 2006, issued for the above-identified patent application. The period for response has been extended by three (3) months to March 13, 2007 by the enclosed petition for extension of time.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper